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Dear Virginia Bean:

Forgotten you? Of course not. I remember you just as you were twenty years ago.

Your letter reassure me. Of course I am pleased that you have kept my books, although I am conscious that most of them are things of the past. One does his work and it goes into the pot, and that's that.

Now as to autographing "All in the Day's Work". Indeed, it will give me real pleasure to do it. If you will send the copy here I'll see that it is returned to you promptly.

To think of you fifty years old, you who have contributed so richly to the continuity of the country's life. Yours is what I call a really fertile life, and it gives me deep satisfaction to know that you are finding happiness and hope in it.

Please give my love to Mary Bean

Affectionately yours

Mrs. John B. Edwards
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